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**Subject:** East Inlet Creek Levee and fill  
**Attachments:** East Inlet Property.pdf

Travis,

I appreciated your phone call this afternoon, and I'm glad that you've had an opportunity to obtain relevant information from Mark McCutcheon, our Colorado River District Ranger. Attached is a pdf map that includes an accurate representation of the location of the recently constructed levee along <sup>East</sup> North Inlet Creek. The yellow line represents the most accurate information I have on the location of the west boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park. The parcel of land within the park boundary where a portion of the levee and wetland fill was placed is actually privately owned by John Swartz and his partners. The National Park Service does not hold any property right or legal interest in the land. We would be hard pressed at this time to prove that damage has occurred to park resources since our land ownership begins upstream. Therefore, I'm glad you are working directly with John Swartz and the Biancos as you seek to resolve the situation.

We will be gathering baseline information on fish, their habitat, and the presence/absence of exotic aquatics upstream on park property, and conducting monitoring in the future to determine if the levee and wetland fill have affected these resources in the park.

(See attached file: East Inlet Property.pdf)

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## East Inlet Creek - Levee & Disturbance

